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December 11, 2008

Ravalli County Commissioners
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RE: 2008 Annual Compliance Evaluation Report
Ravalli County Airport
Permit # MTR000399

Ravalli County Commissioners

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Dear Commissioners:

The Montana Department of Environmental Quality (the Department) received your facility's annual Compliance Evaluation Report (CER) on December 8, 2008. Based upon a review of information submitted in your CER, the Department has noted the following deficiencies (Items are referenced from the attached Annual CER Form Completeness Checklist):

1) Item "d" – Your annual CER indicates the last Comprehensive Site Inspection was performed on November 29, 2006.

The General Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Industrial Activity, Part IV, Item 4 "Comprehensive Site Inspection and Compliance Evaluation Report" states "A site inspection shall be conducted annually by appropriate personnel as identified in the SWPPP...." Please conduct the required annual Comprehensive Site Inspection and submit a revised CER by January 28, 2009.

2) Item "e" – Your annual CER indicates the last Comprehensive Site Inspection was performed by Brian Heckenberger, Storm Water Program Coordinator, MDEQ.

As noted above, the annual site inspection is to be conducted by appropriate facility personnel. The SWPPP for this facility, signed October 23, 2006, indicates the airport manager is responsible for pollution prevention and institutional storm water management controls. As no one else is specified for performing the annual Comprehensive Site Inspection, this duty should be performed by the airport manager.

3) Item "g" – Your annual CER indicates you have added several new hangars since the last inspection.

These hangars, and any additional physical changes to the airport facility, need to be included on an updated site plan.

4) Item "I" – Your annual CER indicates there are no SWPPP revisions, additional BMPs, and/or BMP improvements necessary.

The SWPPP needs to have the new hangars and any additional physical changes to the airport facility included on an updated site plan.

5) Certification and Signature – Your annual CER is signed by the permittee, however the name and title were not printed as required on the form.

Please include the printed name and title in the revised annual CER.

The Department is requesting you review your 2008 CER and address each deficiency that has been identified. The deficient areas must be corrected, and a revised 2008 CER submitted, on or before January 28, 2009. Note that any errors/deficiencies on your annual CER submittals may indicate your facility would benefit from an on-site Compliance Inspection conducted by the Department's Water Protection Bureau. Please be aware the failure to correct deficiencies will result in your facility being in noncompliance and repeated errors/deficiencies may result in the Department pursuing formal enforcement action.

The Department is committed to the protection of the environment of the state of Montana and appreciates your efforts in this matter. Should you have any questions or comments, please contact me at (406)444-5338.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matt McDermott", written in a cursive style.

Matt McDermott
Compliance Inspector
Compliance and Technical Support Section
Water Protection Bureau
Montana Department of Environmental Quality

Enclosure: Copy of Annual CER received 12/08/2008
Annual CER Completeness Checklist

Annual Compliance Evaluation Report (CER) Form - Completeness Checklist

for permit authorizations under the

General Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Industrial Activity, or,

General Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Mining and with Oil and Gas Activity

Permit Authorization Number: MTR 000399 CER Form Received Date: 12/08/2008

Completeness Check Performed By: _____ Date: 12/09/2008

Item A - Permit Authorization Number

☐ Not specified or incorrect. Provide requested information.

Item B - Facility Name

☐ Not specified or incorrect. Provide requested information.

Item C - Facility Location

☐ Not specified or incorrect. Provide address or concise description of physical location of facility.

Item D - Date(s) of Comprehensive Site Inspection (CEI)

☒ Not specified or incorrect. Provide requested information.

Item E - Name(s) and Title(s) of Personnel Performing CEI

☒ Not specified or incorrect. Provide requested information.

Item F - Description of Potential Pollutant Sources Accurate

☐ "Yes" or "No" box not checked. Provide requested information.

☐ If "No" box checked, missing or inadequate description of measures taken to ensure compliance.

Item G - Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) Site Map Accurate

☐ "Yes" or "No" box not checked. Provide requested information.

☒ If "No" box checked, missing or inadequate description of measures taken to ensure compliance.

Item H - SWPPP Best Management Practices (BMPs) Effectively Implemented

☐ "Yes" or "No" box not checked. Provide requested information.

☐ If "No" box checked, missing or inadequate description of SWPPP BMP ineffectiveness.

Item I - SWPPP Revisions and/or BMP Improvements Necessary

☐ "Yes" or "No" box not checked. Provide requested information.

☒ If "Yes" box checked, missing or inadequate description of SWPPP revisions and/or BMP improvements.

Item J - Summary of Other Results From CEI

☐ If completed, inadequate or unclear summary of other results from the CEI. Provide requested information.

Item K - Evaluation of Storm Water Discharge Monitoring Data

☐ If required to monitor, missing or inadequate evaluation of storm water quality data. Provide requested information.

☐ If required to monitor, did not report exceedances of benchmark values. Provide requested information.

Item L - Incidents of Noncompliance

☐ "Yes" or "No" box not checked. Provide requested information.

☐ If "Yes" box checked, missing or inadequate description of noncompliance. Provide requested information.

☐ If "Yes" box checked, missing or inadequate description of corrective action. Provide requested information.

☐ If "Yes" checked, missing or inadequate schedule for implementation of corrective action. Provide requested information.

Item M - Check to Certify Compliance with SWPPP and General Permit

☐ "Yes" box is not checked although "Item L" was checked "No". Provide requested information.

☐ "Yes" box was checked, but this is not consistent with "Yes" response to "Item L". Revise (uncheck) "Yes" box.

Certification and Signature

☒ Signature items missing or inadequate. Provide requested information.

☐ Inappropriate signatory used based on General Permit requirements. Provide requested information.

Other Deficiencies

☐ Standard Department CER Form was not used. Provide required CER Form with all items completed.

☐ CER Form page missing or not legible. Provide requested information.

Additional Notes:

✓ Indicates a deficiency (missing, incomplete, illegible, or inadequate response) requiring revision, and resubmittal of an entire new CER Form (including updated certification and signature), to bring CER Form to a complete status.

ANNUAL COMPLIANCE EVALUATION REPORT FORM FOR STORM WATER DISCHARGES
ASSOCIATED WITH INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
Water Protection Bureau
P.O. Box 200901
Helena, Montana 59620-0901

This form is to be completed by all permittees authorized to discharge storm water under the 2006 *General Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Industrial Activity* (hereafter called General Permit). All authorized permittees are required to conduct a Comprehensive Site Inspection annually during each calendar year the facility is authorized, and to submit a Compliance Evaluation Report by January 28th following the respective calendar year's Comprehensive Site Inspection. This form is to be submitted to the Department at the above address. Ensure this form is completed legibly and accurately so it does not need to be resubmitted. The Permittee must refer to Part IV.A.4. of the General Permit for specific requirements. This form must be signed based on the Signatory and Certification Requirements stated in Part V.K. in the General Permit. All required items must be completed on this form as pertinent. If additional space is needed, the permittee may use attached additional pages with specific reference to the continued section item as identified on the form. A copy of this form is distributed with Permit Authorization Letters, but also is available on this web page: www.deq.mt.gov.

a) Permit Authorization Number for facility: **MTR000** (Enter 3 numbers)

b) Facility Name:

c) Facility Location:

d) What was the date(s) the Comprehensive Site Inspection(s) required under Part IV.A.4 of the General Permit was performed for this reporting year?

e) What was the name(s) and title(s) of the person or personnel who performed the Comprehensive Site Inspection?

f) Based on the comprehensive Site Inspection, are the descriptions of potential pollutant sources accurate as required under Part IV.A.2. of the General Permit and as identified in the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP)? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If no, please describe what measures have been or are being taken to update this information to be in compliance with the General Permit.

g) Based on the Comprehensive Site Inspection, does the site map required under Part IV.A.2. of the General Permit reflect current conditions? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If no, please describe what measures have been or are being taken to update this information to be in compliance with the General Permit.

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h) Based on the Comprehensive Site Inspection, are the Best Management Practices (BMPs) identified in the SWPPP being effectively implemented? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If no, please describe which measures are not being effectively implemented and why.

i) Based on the Comprehensive Site Inspection, are any SWPPP revisions, additional BMPs, and/or BMP improvements necessary? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, describe what revisions and/or BMP improvements are necessary.

j) Summarize any other results from the Comprehensive Site Inspection that are not identified above (such as employee training performed, spills, potential discharges of pollutants from the site, other problems encountered, etc.).

June 2008 North Star Aviation had a fuel spill (Jet A) pollutants did not enter any water sheds and are contained locally on the airport, DEQ (Nicholas Sovner) is overseeing the spill project with PBS&J being the engineers performing the clean up and monitoring.

k) For those facilities required to perform storm water monitoring based on part III.A. of the General Permit, provide a summary of the evaluation of storm water quality data and any exceedances of the benchmark values, in compliance with Part III.A.7. of the General Permit.

NONE

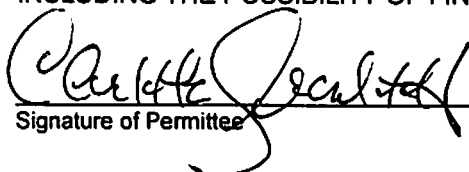
l) Based on the Comprehensive Site Inspection and the responses above, were there any incidents of noncompliance with the requirements in the General Permit and the SWPPP? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If the answer is no, proceed to item (m) below. If the answer is yes, list all incidents of noncompliance and indicate any corrective action(s) including a schedule for implementation.

m) Check to certify the facility is in compliance with the SWPPP and General Permit. ☒ Yes

CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE (REQUIRED FOR ALL FORM SUBMITTALS)

I CERTIFY UNDER PENALTY OF LAW THAT THIS DOCUMENT AND ALL ATTACHMENTS WERE PREPARED UNDER MY DIRECTION OR SUPERVISION IN ACCORDANCE WITH A SYSTEM DESIGNED TO ASSURE THAT QUALIFIED PERSONNEL PROPERLY GATHER AND EVALUATE THE INFORMATION SUBMITTED. BASED ON MY INQUIRY OF THE PERSON OR PERSONS WHO MANAGE THE SYSTEM, OR THOSE PERSONS DIRECTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR GATHERING THE INFORMATION, THE INFORMATION SUBMITTED IS, TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, TRUE, ACCURATE, AND COMPLETE. I AM AWARE THAT THERE ARE SIGNIFICANT PENALTIES FOR SUBMITTING FALSE INFORMATION, INCLUDING THE POSSIBILITY OF FINE AND IMPRISONMENT FOR KNOWING VIOLATIONS.


Signature of Permittee

11-12-08
Date signed

Name (printed)

Title (printed)

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